

## Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 08 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 09 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 08 Apr 2023 at 00:25 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High mostly fine weather this weekend. High for changeable weather early next week with summit snow at times.

**Headline for Saturday 08 Apr 2023:** Dry with some sunshine today. Cold in strong summit winds.

### Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 08 Apr 2023

**Blizzards**

No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent snow**

No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**

No Likelihood

**Gales**

No Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**

Medium Likelihood

**Poor visibility**

Low Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**

No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**

No Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**

Medium Likelihood

| Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m                                         |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
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| Time                                                                                |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 06:00                                                                               | 09:00                                                                               | 12:00                                                                               | 15:00                                                                               | 18:00                                                                                 | 21:00                                                                                 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sunny intervals                                                                     | Sunny intervals                                                                     | Sunny intervals                                                                     | Sunny intervals                                                                     | Cloudy                                                                                | Cloudy                                                                                |
| Precipitation probability                                                           |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 00%                                                                                 | 00%                                                                                 | 00%                                                                                 | 00%                                                                                 | 00%                                                                                   | 00%                                                                                   |

### Forecast for Saturday 08 Apr 2023

**Weather:** Majority seeing a fine, dry day with good bright and sunny spells developing, best west of Ben Nevis. Overnight low cloud and mist across the Trossachs soon clearing away this morning. Some high cloud around this afternoon.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 90%

**Low Cloud and visibility:** Excellent visibility with great air clarity. Some cloud between 200 and 600 metres at first across the Trossachs.

**Forecast for Saturday 08 Apr 2023**

| Height (m)  | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) |          |          |          | Wind Direction (blowing from) |          |          |
|-------------|-----------------------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
|             | 06:00                       | 09:00    | 12:00    | 15:00    | 18:00                         | 21:00    | 00:00    |
| <b>1300</b> | 25/32 SE                    | 26/33 SE | 23/30 SE | 24/32 SE | 31/39 SE                      | 34/43 SE | 35/45 SE |
| <b>900</b>  | 20/27 SE                    | 22/30 SE | 20/28 SE | 20/28 SE | 23/31 SE                      | 24/32 SE | 24/32 SE |
| <b>600</b>  | 14/19 SE                    | 21/29 SE | 22/31 SE | 23/31 SE | 26/34 SE                      | 28/36 SE | 29/38 SE |
| <b>300</b>  | 10/20 E                     | 16/27 SE | 16/25 SE | 15/24 SE | 14/23 SE                      | 18/28 SE | 17/27 SE |
| <b>Glen</b> | 4/10 E                      | 11/22 SE | 14/25 SE | 12/22 SE | 9/20 SE                       | 9/23 SE  | 8/18 E   |

| Height (m)             | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) |        |       |       |       |       |       |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>1300</b>            | -2/-9                         | -2/-10 | 0/-7  | 2/-5  | 1/-7  | -0/-8 | -0/-9 |
| <b>900</b>             | 0/-6                          | 2/-5   | 4/-1  | 5/0   | 4/-2  | 2/-4  | 1/-5  |
| <b>600</b>             | 5/1                           | 6/2    | 7/2   | 8/4   | 8/3   | 7/2   | 7/2   |
| <b>300</b>             | 5/2                           | 7/3    | 10/7  | 11/8  | 10/7  | 8/4   | 7/4   |
| <b>Glen</b>            | 6/4                           | 10/7   | 13/10 | 14/11 | 12/10 | 10/8  | 9/7   |
| <b>Freezing Level*</b> | 900m                          | 900m   | 1100m | 1200m | 1200m | 1100m | 1200m |

\*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**

Risk sunburn in exposure, despite wind chill at height.

**Forecast for Sunday 09 Apr 2023**

**Weather:** Another dry day for the vast majority with bright and sunny spells best late morning and early afternoon. Cloud building from the west from late afternoon, bringing the chance of some patchy rain for the evening, this mainly focused in the west and turning wintry across highest peaks. Severe wind chill at height.

**Maximum wind:** South to southeast winds increasing strong to gale from the afternoon with mean 25-35 mph and gusts 50-55 mph across most exposed ridges and summits.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 80-90%, becoming 30% towards midnight.

**Low Cloud and visibility:** Good or very good, becoming moderate or poor in rain, very poor in snow and within cloud with bases infrequently lowering 600m by day, before becoming quite extensive for evening.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 1 Celsius increasing 15 Celsius for the afternoon  
**At 800m:** Plus 2-3 Celsius  
**Freezing level:** 1100-1200m